

S. aureus bacteraemia surveillance

Quarterly report

October 2016 – December 2016

Key points

- Overall *S. aureus* (SA) rates for Northern Ireland (MRSA plus MSSA bacteraemias) increased by approximately 0.4% during October-December 2016 compared to July-September 2016.
- MRSA rates decreased by approximately 12% during October-December 2016 compared to July-September 2016.
- MRSA reports during 2015/16 rose by 12% compared to 2014/15.
- MSSA rates increased by approximately 3% compared to July-September 2016.
- MSSA reports during 2015/16 increased by 14% compared to 2014/15.

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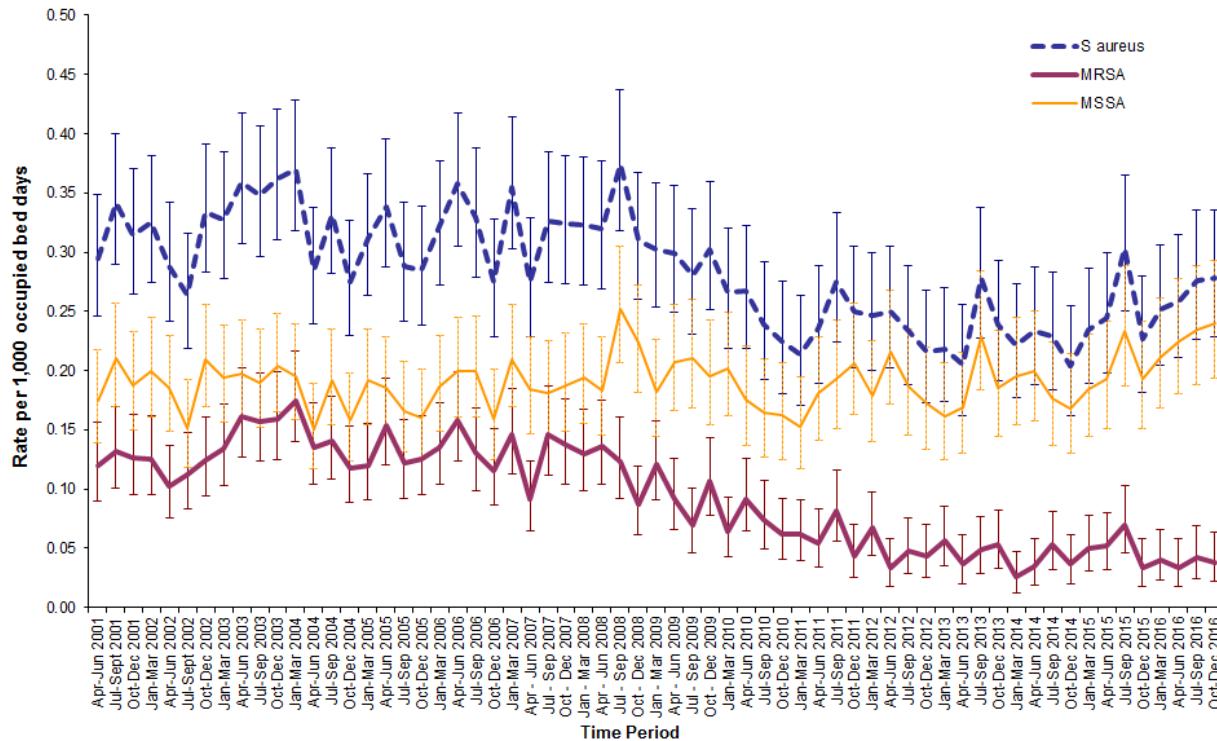


Figure 1: MSSA, MRSA and *S. aureus* rates in Northern Ireland by quarter, with 95% confidence intervals, April 2001 – December 2016 (see Appendix 3)

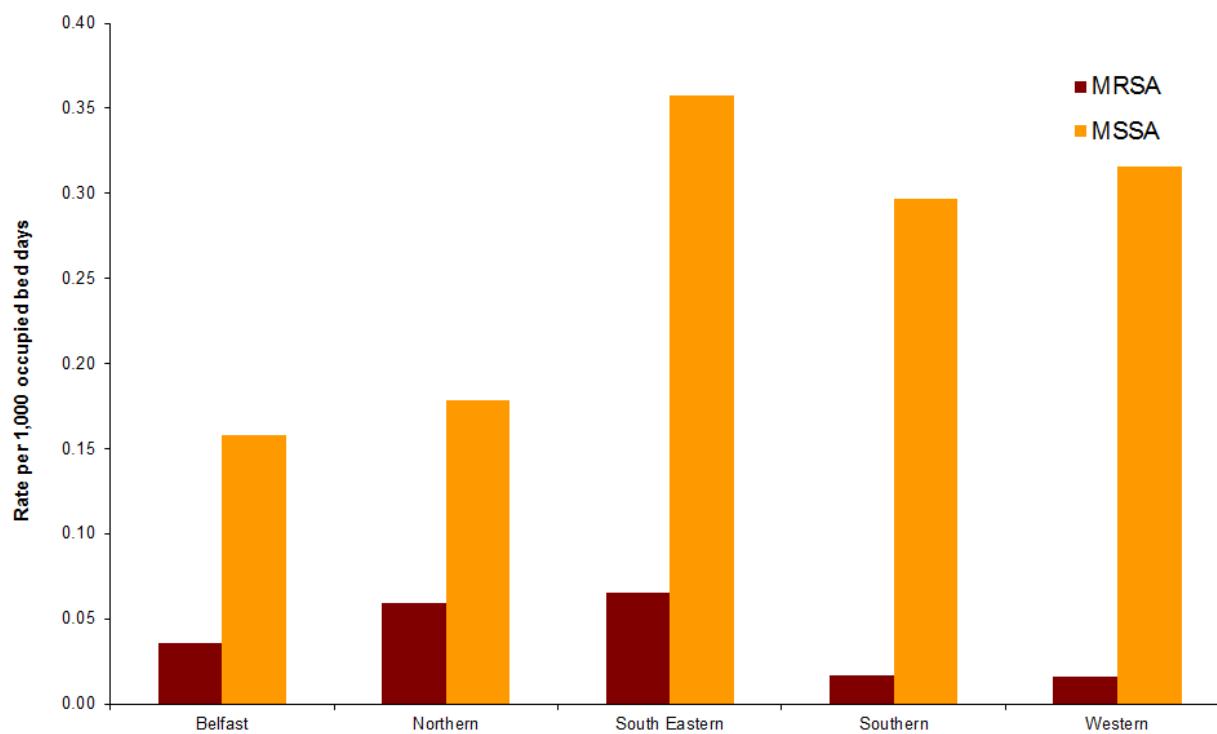


Figure 2: MRSA and MSSA rates per 1,000 occupied bed days, by HSCT, October - December 2016

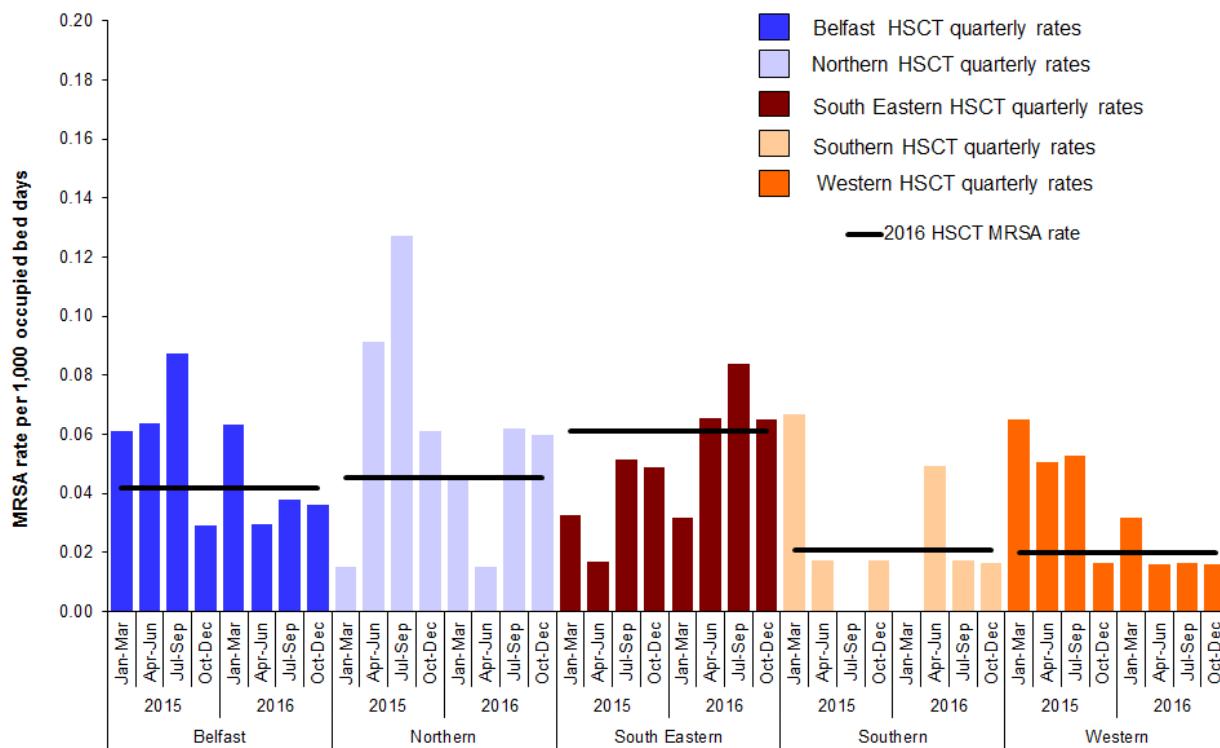


Figure 3: MRSA quarterly rate January 2015 – December 2016, by HSCT, with 2016 HSCT MRSA rate

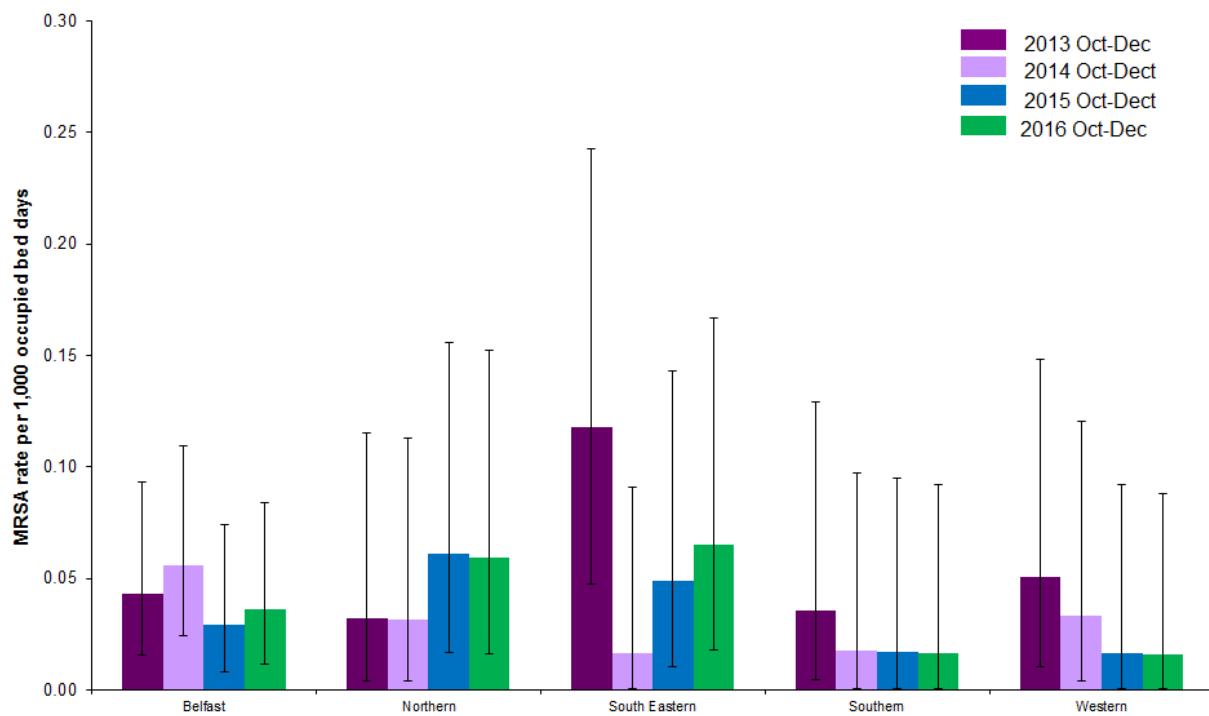


Figure 4: MRSA rate during October-December, by HSCT, from 2013–2016, with 95% confidence intervals

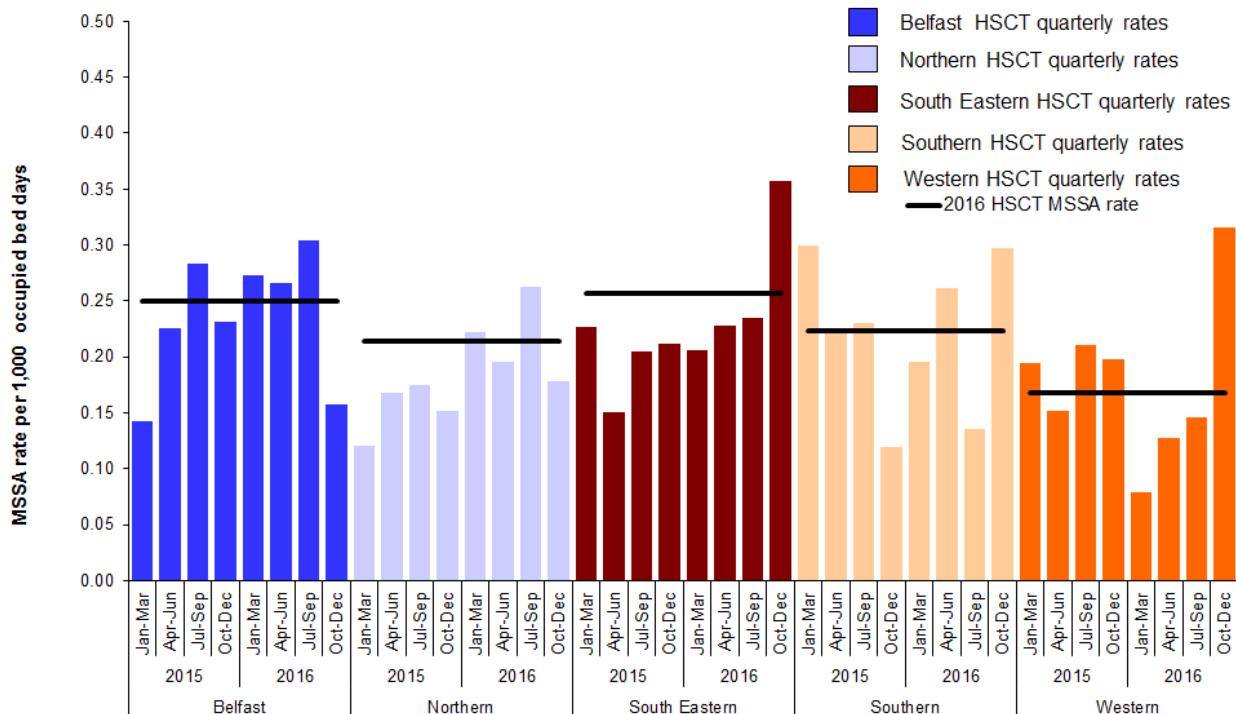


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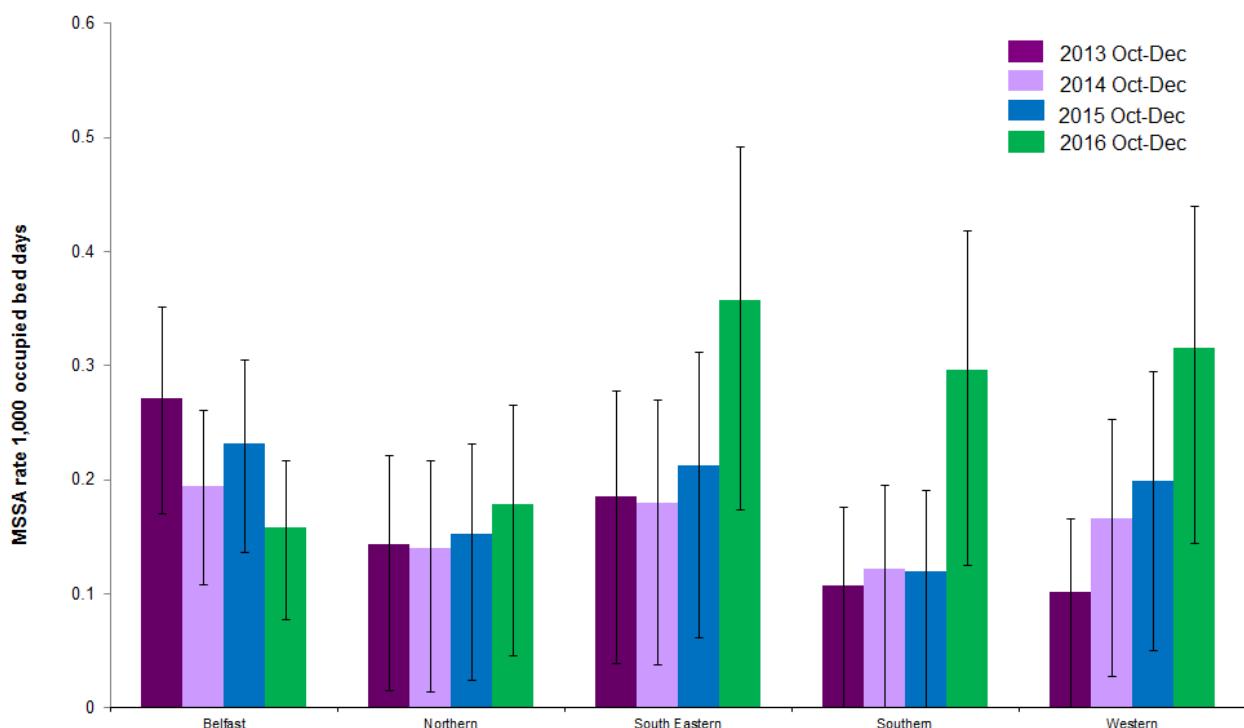


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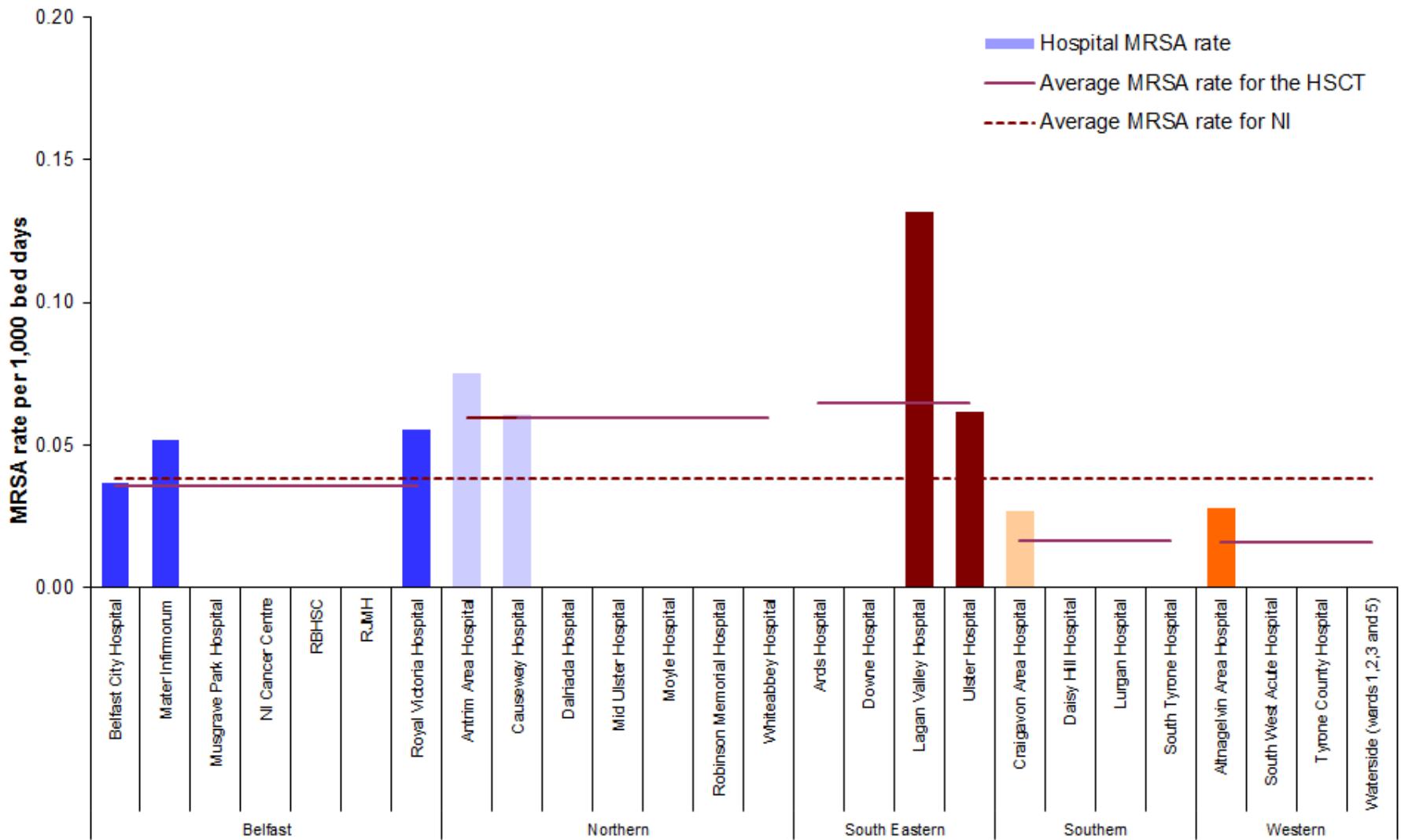


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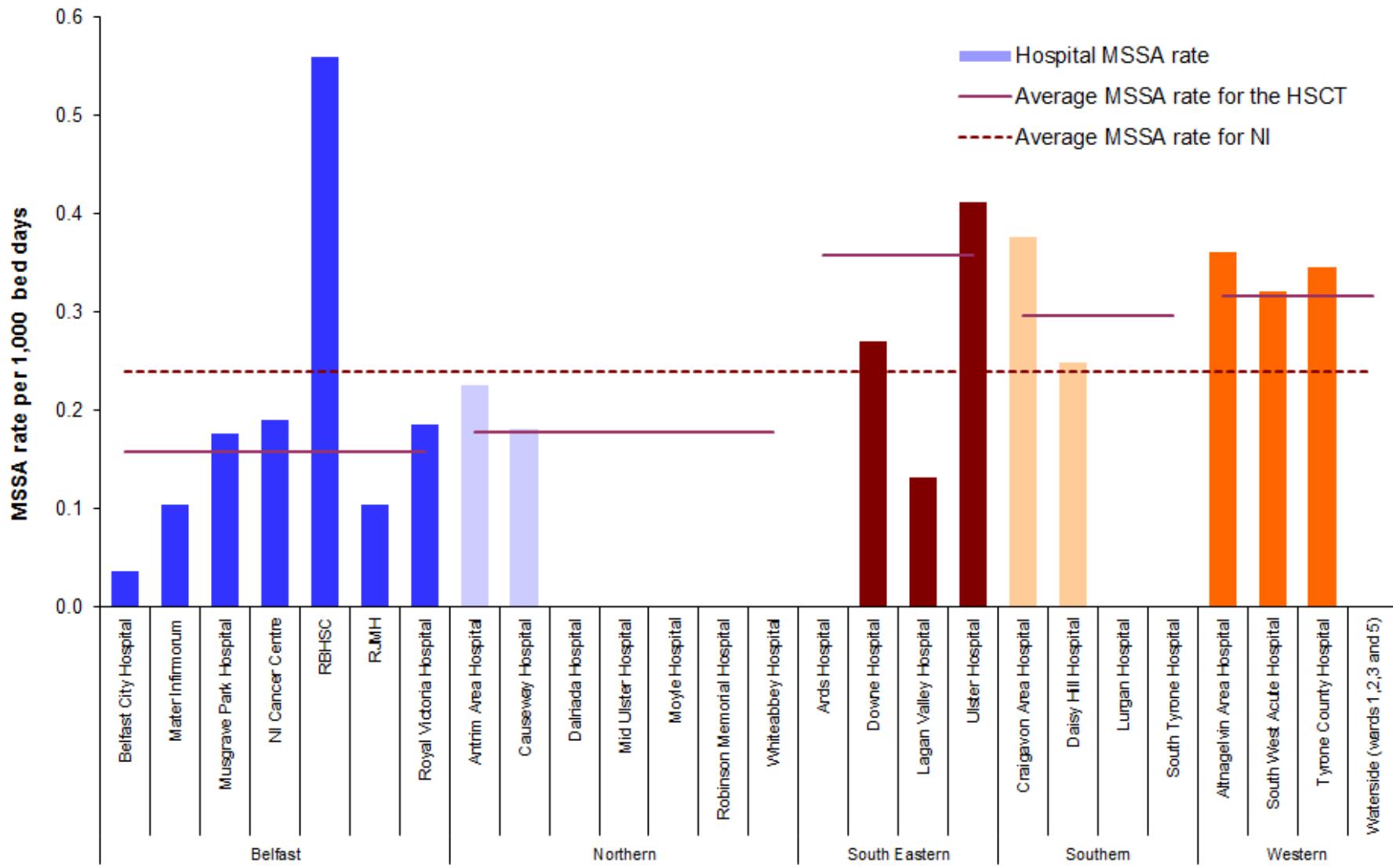


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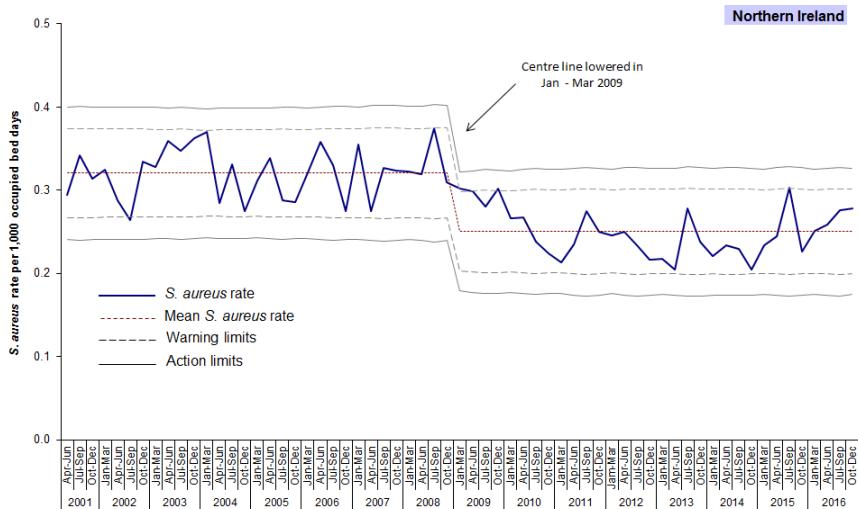


Figure 9a: Statistical process control chart for quarterly *S. aureus* rates in Northern Ireland

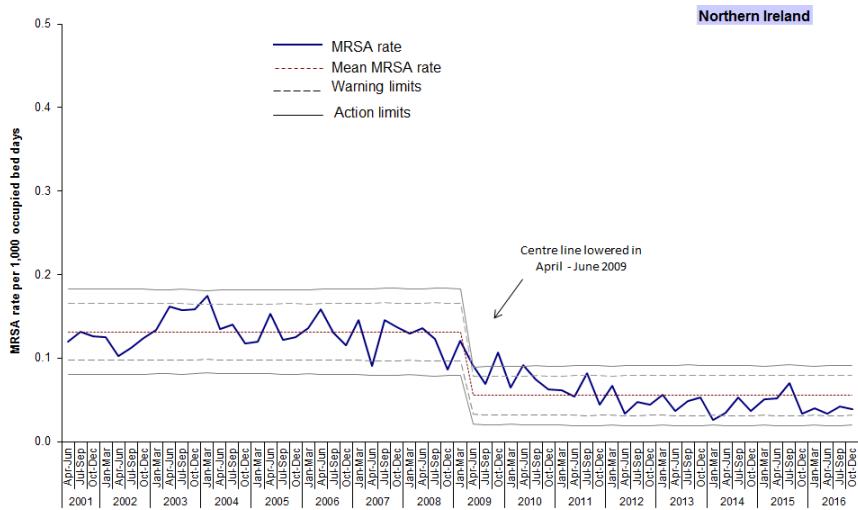


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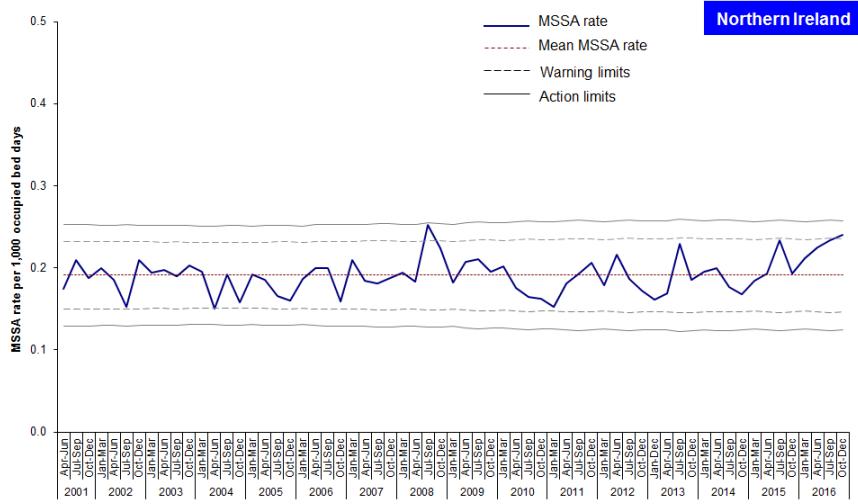


Figure 9c: Statistical process control chart for quarterly MSSA rates in Northern Ireland

Appendix 1

Table 1: Quarterly rate of MRSA patient episodes, by hospital, Jan – Dec 2016

| Hospital | Jan - Mar 2016 Rate | Apr - Jun 2016 Rate | Jul - Sept 2016 Rate | Oct - Dec 2016 Rate |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Belfast City Hospital | 0.035 | 0.036 | 0.075 | 0.037 |
| Mater Infirorum | 0.050 | 0.000 | 0.077 | 0.052 |
| Musgrave Park Hospital | 0.055 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| NICCO (formerly at Belvoir Park) | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| RBHSC | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| RJMH | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Royal Victoria Hospital | 0.109 | 0.054 | 0.037 | 0.056 |
| Belfast HSCT | 0.063 | 0.030 | 0.038 | 0.036 |
| Antrim Area Hospital | 0.076 | 0.026 | 0.107 | 0.075 |
| Causeway Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.060 |
| Dalriada Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Mid Ulster Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Moyle Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Robinson Memorial Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Whiteabbey Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Northern HSCT | 0.045 | 0.015 | 0.062 | 0.060 |
| Ards Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Downe Hospital | 0.000 | 0.276 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Lagan Valley Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.141 | 0.132 |
| Ulster Hospital | 0.040 | 0.062 | 0.084 | 0.062 |
| South Eastern HSCT | 0.032 | 0.065 | 0.084 | 0.065 |
| Craigavon Area Hospital | 0.000 | 0.079 | 0.027 | 0.027 |
| Daisy Hill Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Lurgan Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| South Tyrone Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Southern HSCT | 0.000 | 0.049 | 0.017 | 0.016 |
| Altnagelvin Area Hospital | 0.000 | 0.028 | 0.000 | 0.028 |
| South West Acute Hospital | 0.108 | 0.000 | 0.057 | 0.000 |
| Tyrone County Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Waterside Hospital (Wards 1-3, 5) | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Western HSCT | 0.032 | 0.016 | 0.016 | 0.016 |
| Northern Ireland total | 0.040 | 0.034 | 0.043 | 0.038 |

Table 2: Quarterly MRSA patient episodes, by Trust, Jan – Dec 2016

| Trust | Jan - Mar 2016 | Apr - Jun 2016 | Jul - Sept 2016 | Oct - Dec 2016 |
|--|----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Episodes | Episodes | Episodes | Episodes |
| Belfast Health & Social Care Trust | 9 | 4 | 5 | 5 |
| Northern Health & Social Care Trust | 3 | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust | 2 | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| Southern Health & Social Care Trust | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Western Health & Social Care Trust | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| NI TOTAL | 16 | 13 | 16 | 15 |

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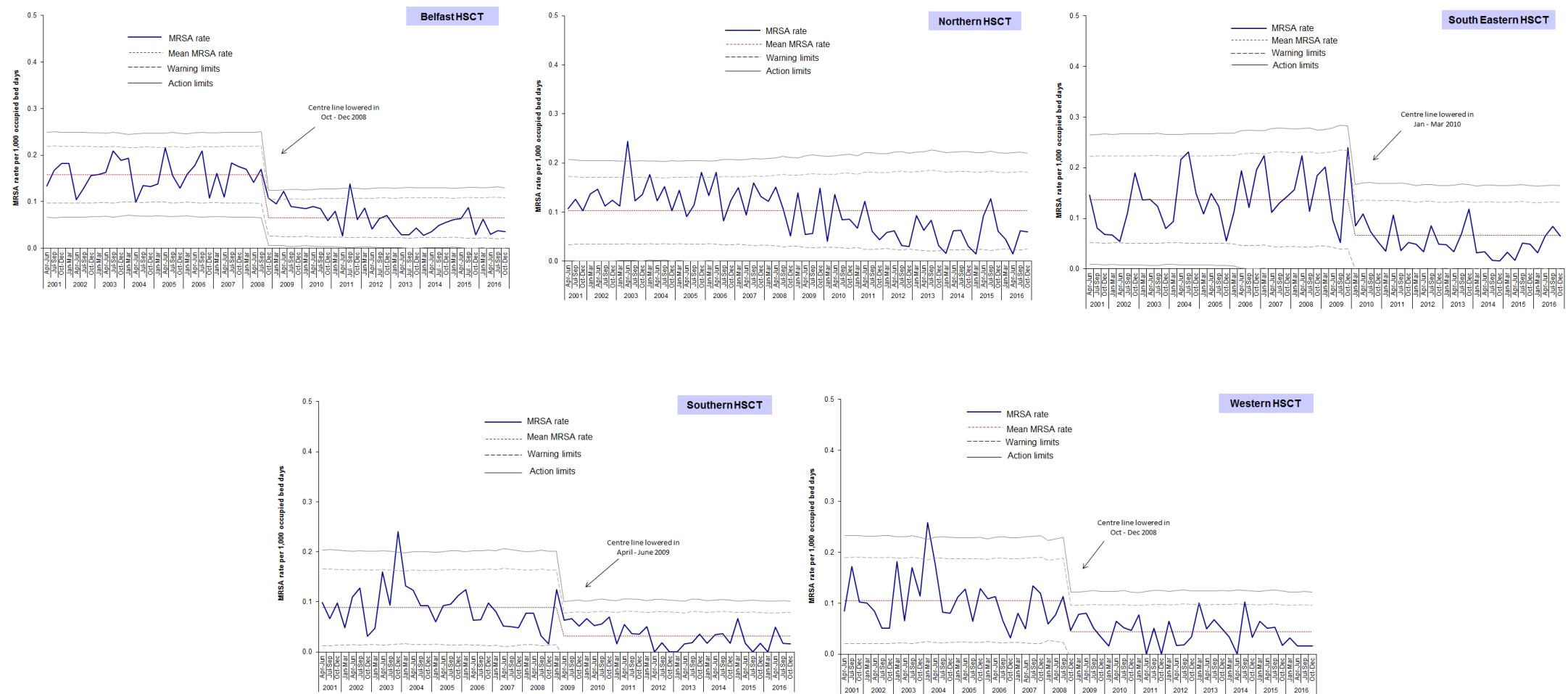
Table 3: Quarterly rate of MSSA patient episodes, by hospital, Jan – Dec 2016

| Hospital | Jan - Mar 2016 Rate | Apr - Jun 2016 Rate | Jul - Sep 2016 Rate | Oct - Dec 2016 Rate |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Belfast City Hospital | 0.317 | 0.145 | 0.264 | 0.037 |
| Mater Infirorum | 0.100 | 0.301 | 0.308 | 0.104 |
| Musgrave Park Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.060 | 0.176 |
| NICCO (formerly at Belvoir Park) | 0.857 | 0.517 | 0.177 | 0.191 |
| RBHSC | 0.587 | 0.591 | 1.221 | 0.559 |
| RJMH | 0.115 | 0.115 | 0.000 | 0.105 |
| Royal Victoria Hospital | 0.327 | 0.361 | 0.350 | 0.185 |
| Belfast HSCT | 0.273 | 0.266 | 0.304 | 0.158 |
| Antrim Area Hospital | 0.255 | 0.336 | 0.348 | 0.226 |
| Causeway Hospital | 0.301 | 0.000 | 0.241 | 0.181 |
| Dalriada Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Mid Ulster Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Moyle Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Robinson Memorial Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Whiteabbey Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Northern HSCT | 0.223 | 0.196 | 0.263 | 0.179 |
| Ards Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Downe Hospital | 0.264 | 0.276 | 0.285 | 0.271 |
| Lagan Valley Hospital | 0.000 | 0.131 | 0.423 | 0.132 |
| Ulster Hospital | 0.240 | 0.248 | 0.211 | 0.411 |
| South Eastern HSCT | 0.206 | 0.228 | 0.235 | 0.358 |
| Craigavon Area Hospital | 0.239 | 0.317 | 0.082 | 0.376 |
| Daisy Hill Hospital | 0.184 | 0.190 | 0.254 | 0.248 |
| Lurgan Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| South Tyrone Hospital | 0.000 | 0.345 | 0.357 | 0.000 |
| Southern HSCT | 0.196 | 0.262 | 0.136 | 0.297 |
| Altnagelvin Area Hospital | 0.055 | 0.195 | 0.170 | 0.361 |
| South West Acute Hospital | 0.162 | 0.054 | 0.170 | 0.321 |
| Tyrone County Hospital | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.345 |
| Waterside Hospital (Wards 1-3, 5) | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Western HSCT | 0.080 | 0.128 | 0.147 | 0.316 |
| Northern Ireland total | 0.211 | 0.252 | 0.234 | 0.240 |

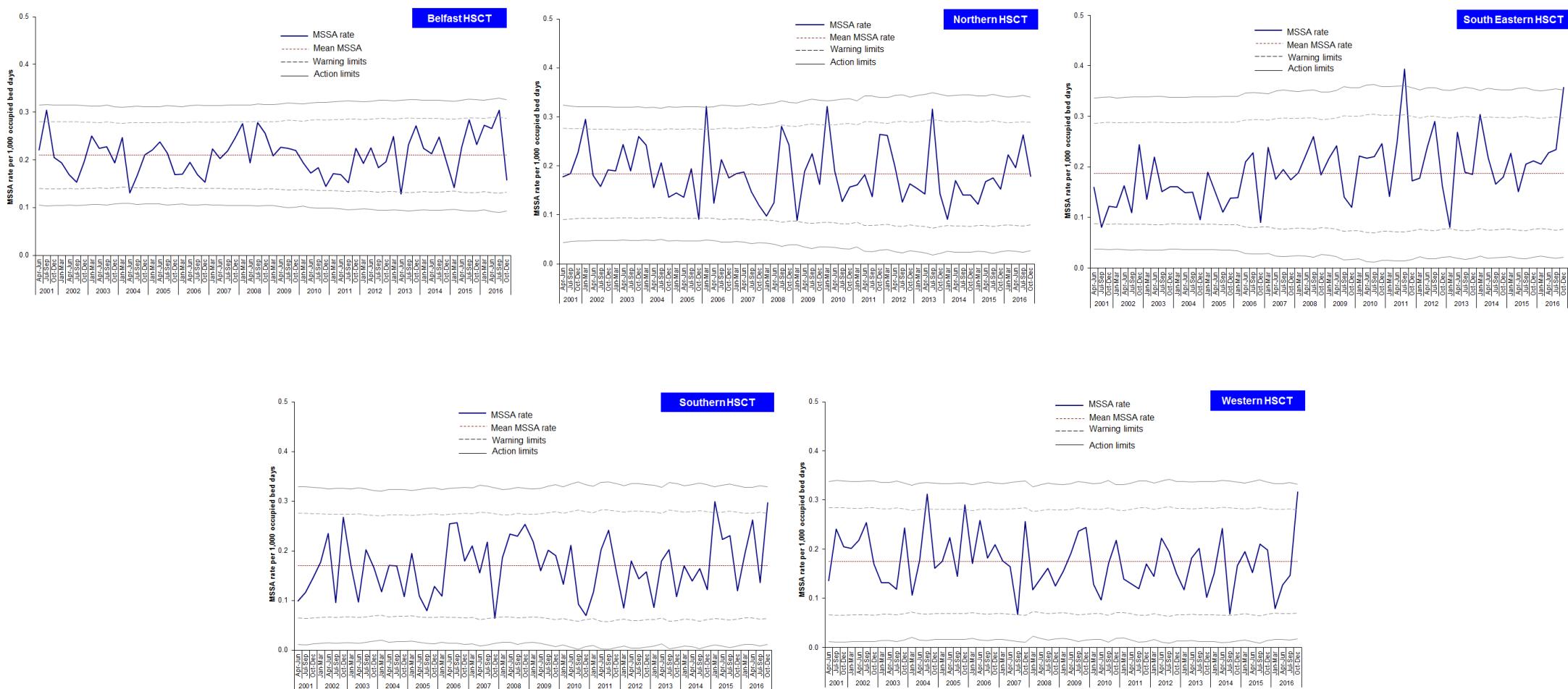
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| Trust | Jan - Mar 2016 Episodes | Apr - Jun 2016 Episodes | Jul - Sep 2016 Episodes | Oct - Dec 2016 Episodes |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Belfast Health & Social Care Trust | 39 | 36 | 40 | 22 |
| Northern Health & Social Care Trust | 15 | 13 | 17 | 12 |
| South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust | 13 | 14 | 14 | 22 |
| Southern Health & Social Care Trust | 12 | 16 | 8 | 18 |
| Western Health & Social Care Trust | 5 | 8 | 9 | 20 |
| NI TOTAL | 84 | 87 | 88 | 94 |

Appendix 2: Trends in MRSA rates, by HSCT and quarter, 2001–2016



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Appendix 3

Table 5: MSSA, MRSA and total *S. aureus* patient episode rates, and the percentage of *S. aureus* reported as MRSA, in Northern Ireland, Jan 2007 – Dec 2016

| Quarter | MSSA rate | MRSA rate | All <i>S. aureus</i> rate | % MRSA |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|--------|
| Jan-Mar 2007 | 0.208 | 0.145 | 0.353 | 41.1 |
| Apr-Jun 2007 | 0.183 | 0.091 | 0.274 | 33.2 |
| Jul-Sep 2007 | 0.181 | 0.146 | 0.326 | 44.8 |
| Oct-Dec 2007 | 0.187 | 0.137 | 0.324 | 42.3 |
| Jan-Mar 2008 | 0.194 | 0.129 | 0.323 | 39.9 |
| Apr-Jun 2008 | 0.184 | 0.136 | 0.320 | 42.5 |
| Jul-Sep 2008 | 0.252 | 0.122 | 0.375 | 32.5 |
| Oct-Dec 2008 | 0.223 | 0.087 | 0.310 | 28.1 |
| Jan-Mar 2009 | 0.182 | 0.120 | 0.302 | 39.7 |
| Apr-Jun 2009 | 0.207 | 0.092 | 0.299 | 30.8 |
| Jul-Sep 2009 | 0.206 | 0.069 | 0.275 | 25.1 |
| Oct-Dec 2009 | 0.195 | 0.107 | 0.302 | 35.4 |
| Jan-Mar 2010 | 0.202 | 0.064 | 0.266 | 24.1 |
| Apr-Jun 2010 | 0.175 | 0.091 | 0.267 | 34.1 |
| Jul-Sep 2010 | 0.164 | 0.074 | 0.239 | 31.0 |
| Oct-Dec 2010 | 0.160 | 0.062 | 0.222 | 27.9 |
| Jan-Mar 2011 | 0.152 | 0.061 | 0.214 | 28.5 |
| Apr-Jun 2011 | 0.181 | 0.054 | 0.235 | 23.0 |
| Jul-Sep 2011 | 0.193 | 0.082 | 0.275 | 29.8 |
| Oct-Dec 2011 | 0.206 | 0.044 | 0.250 | 17.6 |
| Jan-Mar 2012 | 0.179 | 0.067 | 0.246 | 27.3 |
| Apr-Jun 2012 | 0.216 | 0.034 | 0.250 | 13.6 |
| Jul-Sep 2012 | 0.186 | 0.048 | 0.234 | 20.5 |
| Oct-Dec 2012 | 0.173 | 0.044 | 0.216 | 20.4 |
| Jan-Mar 2013 | 0.162 | 0.056 | 0.218 | 25.7 |
| Apr-Jun 2013 | 0.169 | 0.036 | 0.205 | 17.6 |
| Jul-Sep 2013 | 0.230 | 0.049 | 0.278 | 17.6 |
| Oct-Dec 2013 | 0.188 | 0.053 | 0.241 | 22.0 |
| Jan-Mar 2014 | 0.195 | 0.026 | 0.221 | 11.8 |
| Apr-Jun 2014 | 0.200 | 0.034 | 0.234 | 14.5 |
| Jul-Sep 2014 | 0.177 | 0.053 | 0.229 | 23.1 |
| Oct-Dec 2014 | 0.168 | 0.036 | 0.204 | 17.6 |
| Jan-Mar 2015 | 0.184 | 0.050 | 0.234 | 21.4 |
| Apr-Jun 2015 | 0.193 | 0.052 | 0.245 | 21.2 |
| Jul-Sep 2015 | 0.234 | 0.070 | 0.304 | 23.0 |
| Oct-Dec 2015 | 0.193 | 0.034 | 0.226 | 15.0 |
| Jan-Mar 2016 | 0.211 | 0.040 | 0.252 | 15.9 |
| Apr-Jun 2016 | 0.225 | 0.034 | 0.259 | 13.1 |
| Jul-Sep 2016 | 0.234 | 0.043 | 0.277 | 15.5 |
| Oct-Dec 2016 | 0.240 | 0.038 | 0.278 | 13.7 |

Appendix 4

Table 6: MRSA patient episodes for each financial year, by HSCT

| HSCT | Financial Year | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 2006/07 | 2007/08 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 | 2014/15 | 2015/16 |
| Belfast | 115 | 109 | 86 | 62 | 48 | 46 | 32 | 18 | 28 | 34 |
| Northern | 47 | 42 | 35 | 22 | 27 | 19 | 14 | 12 | 11 | 21 |
| South Eastern | 49 | 34 | 46 | 28 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 15 | 7 | 9 |
| Southern | 19 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 11 | 10 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 2 |
| Western | 18 | 22 | 20 | 11 | 15 | 7 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 9 |
| Northern Ireland | 248 | 221 | 203 | 138 | 116 | 96 | 70 | 62 | 67 | 75 |

Table 7: MSSA patient episodes for each financial year, by HSCT

| HSCT | Financial Year | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 2006/07 | 2007/08 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 | 2014/15 | 2015/16 |
| Belfast | 130 | 161 | 157 | 138 | 103 | 109 | 115 | 121 | 112 | 142 |
| Northern | 60 | 46 | 57 | 66 | 46 | 57 | 42 | 43 | 37 | 47 |
| South Eastern | 51 | 46 | 56 | 43 | 46 | 57 | 54 | 57 | 50 | 47 |
| Southern | 56 | 38 | 59 | 40 | 28 | 38 | 32 | 38 | 42 | 45 |
| Western | 51 | 37 | 37 | 49 | 39 | 34 | 40 | 38 | 40 | 38 |
| Northern Ireland | 348 | 328 | 366 | 336 | 262 | 295 | 283 | 297 | 281 | 319 |